



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin is home to more than 960,000 citizens aged 60 years or older; and

**WHEREAS**, the older Americans of Wisconsin are a vital part of our nation's demographic makeup; and

**WHEREAS**, older citizens are members of our community entitled to dignified, independent lives free from fears, myths, and misconceptions about aging; and

**WHEREAS**, each community in America must strive to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, understand and address their evolving needs, and support their caregivers; and

**WHEREAS**, our society is dependent upon intergenerational cooperation and support, and benefits from our collective efforts to serve older Americans and the people who love them; and

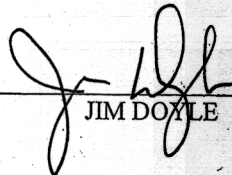
**WHEREAS**, this year marks the 40th anniversary of the passage of the Older Americans Act by the United States Congress;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2005 as

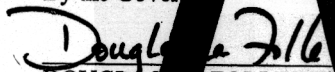
### OLDER AMERICANS MONTH CELEBRATE LONG-TERM LIVING

and encourage all individuals and groups to join with me in commemorating this observance to all citizens of Wisconsin

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this fourteenth day of April in the year two thousand five.

  
JIM DOYLE

By the Governor

  
DOUGLAS A. FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State